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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A housing for an electronic device, the device having sides extending across a length and width of the device, a top extending across the width and a thickness of the device, and a bottom extending across the width and thickness of the device, the housing comprising:

 a first portion for surrounding the sides and the top of the electronic device in a continuous and seamless manner, wherein at least the sides of the device are shaped irregularly and unsymmetrically; and

 a second portion connected to the first portion for extending across the bottom of the electronic device, wherein the second portion may be disconnected for inserting component parts of the device into or removing component parts of the device from the housing.

2. The housing of claim 1, wherein the housing surrounds component parts of a communication device.

3. The housing of claim 2, wherein the housing surrounds component parts of a cellular telephone.

4. The housing of claim 1, wherein the component parts inserted or removed include at least one of a power source, a keypad, and a display.

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5. The housing of claim 1, wherein the second portion may be integral to at least one component part inserted into the housing, such that the second portion is connected to the first portion by inserting the component part into the housing, and the second portion is disconnected from the first portion by removing the component part from the housing.
6. The housing of claim 1, wherein the first portion includes at least one window allowing interaction with the electronic device by a user.
7. The housing of claim 6, wherein the window allows access to a display or a keypad.
8. The housing of claim 6, wherein the window is open.
9. The housing of claim 6, wherein the window is formed of a clear or translucent material.
10. The housing of claim 1, wherein the housing is interchangeable with other housings for the electronic device.
11. A method for assembling a housing for an electronic device, the device having sides extending across a length and width of the device, a top extending across the width and a thickness of the device, and a bottom extending across the width and thickness of the device, the method comprising:
 - forming a first portion for surrounding the sides and the top of the electronic device in a continuous and seamless manner, wherein at least the sides of the device are

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forming a second portion for connecting to the first portion and for extending across the bottom of the electronic device, wherein the second portion may be disconnected for inserting component parts of the device into or removing component parts of the device from the housing.

12. The method of claim 11, wherein the housing surrounds component parts of a communication device.

13. The method of claim 11, wherein the housing surrounds component parts of a cellular telephone.

14. The method of claim 11, wherein the component parts inserted or removed include at least one of a power source, a keypad, and a display.

15. The method of claim 11, wherein the second portion may be integral to at least one component part inserted into the housing, such that the second portion is connected to the first portion by inserting the component part into the housing, and the second portion is disconnected from the first portion by removing the component part from the housing.

16. The method of claim 11, wherein the first portion includes at least one window allowing interaction with the electronic device by a user.

17. The method of claim 16, wherein the window allows access to a display or a keypad.

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18. The method of claim 16, wherein the window is open.
19. The method of claim 16, wherein the window is formed of a clear or translucent material.
20. The method of claim 11, wherein the housing is interchangeable with other housings for the electronic device.

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